Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

1986 Curry, D.C.

Archeological Reconnaissance of Maryland Route 228 from Maryland Route 210 to US Route 301, Prince George's and Charles Counties, Maryland.

Submitted to the Maryland State Highway Administration

Library ID No: 00006651 Catalog/Shelving ID: PR 89

Sites examined:

18PR290 others

Research Firm/Institutution:

Maryland Geological Survey 2300 St. Paul Street Baltimore, MD 21218

Project Details:

Phase I

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Project Justification:

Phase III

This report describes a Phase I survey of 7 proposed alternates designed to improve Maryland Route 228 and/or link that transportation artery with Maryland Route 210. The proposed improvements were aimed at alleviating general commuter congestion. Since state funds would be expended on the improvements, the regulations of the National Historic Preservation Act applied and prompted the study.

MAC Accession: 1985.021

Project Objectives:

 -Locate and describe all archeological resources located within the 7 proposed highway alternates.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18PR290.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2004 Ward, J.A.

A Phase IB Archaeological Survey of the Proposed Belle Oak Estates Development, Prince George's County, Maryland.

Submitted to Chesapeake Custom Homes, LLC

Library ID No: 95000539 Catalog/Shelving ID: PR 483

Sites examined:

18PR290 18PR717 18PR718 18PR719

Research Firm/Institutution:

Applied Archaeology and History Associates,

Inc.

615 Fairglen Lane Annapolis, MD 21401

Project Details:

Phase II

Phase III



Project Justification:

This report details the Phase IB archeological investigations conducted at the Belle Oak Estates housing development in 2004. The Phase IB investigation encompassed all areas of impact of the proposed development and was in compliance with a condition from the Prince George's County Historic Preservation Commission.

Project Objectives:

-Conduct intensive pedestrian survey throughout the project area.

 Conduct subsurface testing (shovel test pit excavation) in areas of moderate to high probability for cultural resources, where surface visibility is inadequate.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18PR290.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2008 Tyler, J.L. and J.A. Ward

A Phase II Archaeological Evaluation of the Bealle Hill Site (18PR290) Bealle Hill Forest Development, Prince George's County, Maryland.

Submitted to Chesapeake Custom Homes, LLC

Library ID No: 95000538 Catalog/Shelving ID: PR 482

Research Firm/Institutution:

Applied Archaeology and History Associates,

Inc.

615 Fairglen Lane Annapolis, MD 21401 Sites examined:

18PR290

Project Details:

Phase I

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Phase III

Project Justification:

This report details the Phase II archeological investigations conducted at the Belle Oak Estates housing development in 2004. The Phase II investigation encompassed areas of impact within Site 18PR209, previosuly identified during a Phase I highway survey and a Phase IB project. The fieldwork was in compliance with a condition from the Prince George's County Historic Preservation Commission.

Project Objectives:

Prehistoric

-Identify the horizontal and vertical boundaries of the site as well as the spatial extent of any discernible activity/occupation areas.

-Determine the occupational sequence of the site and determine what activities took place as well as which resources were utilized.

Historic

-Determine if structures are represented and how they relate to one another. Determine if identified structures represent a main plantation residence or dependency(s).

-Determine when the structures were occupied and who the occupants might be.

-Assess the economic/material circumstances of any inhabitants and how this relates to data recovered from other sites of the time period.

-Determine if slave/servant activity can be distinguished from the artifact assemblage.

 -Assess the presence/absence of any sub-plowzone features and their condition.

Research Potential:

The Bealle Hill Site (18PR290) represents at least three separate prehistoric occupations. The results of the Phase II evaluation indicate the presence of intact cultural deposits across the Bealle Hill Site with areas of particular interest and significance represented by Areas A, B1, and B3. Area A most likely dated to the Archaic Period but also exhibits a distinct 20th century component. Area B most likely dates to the Early Woodland Period and also encompasses the possible cemetery south of the Bellevue Manor House. It is likely that these areas can provide information regarding prehistoric lifeways and, as such, these portions of the site should be considered archeologically significant. A determination was made by the developers that those portions of the site containing significant cultural materials be preserved in place during construction of the housing development. Those portions of the site located in Areas A and B1 were to be donated to the Archeological Conservancy and Area B3 was to be deeded to the owner of the nearby Bellevue Manor House and historic site.